



केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड



(मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन)

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All Heads of Independent Schools Affiliated to the CBSE

Sub: IGNITE 2013: A Nationwide Campaign to harness the creative and innovative spirit of school children by National Innovation Foundation-India (NIF) and Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

Dear Principal,

CBSE has been successfully initiating IGNITE competition in the previous years in collaboration with National Innovation Foundation-India (NIF) and Honey Bee Network with an attempt to harness the creative and innovative talents of school children. This venture had a remarkable response from the students, teachers and parents.

The IGNITE-12 contest (October 16, 2011 to August 31, 2012) saw participation of students from 282 districts of 30 States and Union Territories of the country with 14,889 entries in different fields.

The awards were announced on October 15th, the birth day of children's favorite Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, celebrated as the Children's Creativity and Innovation Day by NIF. The awards were given by Dr. Kalam on November 10th, 2012 at IIM Ahmedabad.

With NIF, the Board has planned to initiate IGNITE-2013 for the academic session 2013-14 with an aim to promote creativity among children.

The schedule for the IGNITE 2013 is as per details given below: -

- The last date for submission of entries directly to NIF at the following address or through email at ignite13@nifindia.org with a copy to anjali.cbse11@gmail.com is **31st August, 2013**

IGNITE 13

**National Innovation Foundation-India,
Satellite Complex, Premchand Nagar Road,
Vastrapur, Ahmedabad 380 015, Gujarat**

- b. **The call for entries from students is as per the following categories:**
- i. **Technological ideas to solve any problem in day to day life**
 - ii. **Real life technological projects demonstrating innovative ways of solving problems or reducing drudgery or generating efficiency or conserving resources (*projects demonstrating application of known scientific concepts or theories will not be accepted*).**
 - iii. **Traditional knowledge practices documented from elders in and around the family.**
 - iv. **Information about some other innovators in the neighbourhood**
- c. Each entry should be accompanied with a certificate from parents and teachers saying that the idea / innovation has been developed and documented by the student concerned entirely on his/her own without any guidance or support from them.
- d. The awards will be announced on **October 15, 2013**, birthday of Hon'ble former President of India, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam celebrated as **Children's Creativity and Innovation Day**. The awards will be given away by Dr. Kalam on November 19th at IIM Ahmedabad.
- e. NIF will provide support for patenting and incubating innovative projects into products in all deserving cases. For the last few years years, NIF has been able to file patents for each award winner of the IGNITE competitions apart from facilitating prototype development in all the cases. Winners of the earlier IGNITE competitions have also won awards in NIF's National Competition at the hands of the President of India. Many student winners have participated in the innovation exhibitions organised by NIF at the Rashtrapati Bhavan during March in the last four years and inaugurated by the Hon'ble President. Many have been interviewed by leading national print and electronic media.

A flow chart is enclosed at annexure- A to understand the whole process of IGNITE.

We request you to give wide publicity to this competition amidst students, teachers and parents so as to activate the creative instinct in children to find solutions to the day-to-day problems.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely



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Encl.-Annexure A

Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations, and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

- 1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-16.**
- 2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector 62, Institutional Area, Noida-201 309.**
- 3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi- 54.**
- 4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh-160017.**
- 5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim- 737101.**
- 6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar-791111**
- 7. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair- 744101.**
- 8. The Director of Education, S.I.E., CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, P.O. 744103, A&N Islands.**
- 9. The Secretary, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESS ESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3,Rohini, Delhi- 85**
- 10. All the Regional Directors / Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective regions.**
- 11. All Associated Professor & Addl. Directors / Assistant Professors & Joint Directors /Assistant Professors & Deputy Directors / Deputy Director (Examination & Reforms)**
- 12. The Associate Professor & Programme Officer (Vocational) / Assistant Professor & Assistant Programme Officer (Vocational), CBSE, Preet Vihar, Delhi**
- 13. The Research Officer (Tech.) with the request to put this circular on the CBSE Academic website and ensure that all copies are received from Sl. No. 1-21.**
- 14. PRO, CBSE**
- 15. Assistant Librarian, CBSE.**
- 16. PS to Chairman, CBSE**
- 17. PS to Secretary, CBSE**
- 18. SO to CE, CBSE**
- 19. PS to Director (Spl. Exams)**
- 20. PA to Professor & Director (Academics, Research, Training & Innovation)**

Director (Academics, Research, Training & Innovation)